

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

MICHAEL SAMUEL FIERRO,

Plaintiff,

v.

No. 24-cv-1001 SMD/KRS

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, *et al.*,

Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING *IN FORMA PAUPERIS* RELIEF

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion and Affidavit for Leave to Proceed Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915, (Docs. 4 and 9) ("IFP Motions"). Plaintiff is incarcerated and proceeding *pro se*. His financial information reflects he is unable to prepay the \$405.00 filing fee for his prisoner civil rights complaint. *See* (Doc. 10) (Plaintiff's Response to Order to Cure Deficiency, Doc. 17). The Court will therefore grant Plaintiff leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*, which reduces the fee to \$350, and allow him to pay in installments. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b). Based on Plaintiff's financial information, the Court will excuse the initial partial payment. *See* (Doc. 10) at 3. Beginning August 1, 2025, and until the \$350 filing fee is paid in full, Plaintiff must make monthly payments of 20% (twenty percent) of the preceding month's income credited to his account each time the amount in his account exceeds \$10.00. *See* 28 U.S.C. §1915(b)(2).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion and Affidavit for Leave to Proceed Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 (**Docs. 4 and 9**) are **GRANTED**;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, beginning August 1, 2025, and until the \$350 filing fee is paid in full, Plaintiff must make monthly payments of 20% (twenty percent) of the preceding month's income credited to his account each time the amount in his account exceeds \$10.00.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kevin Sweazea". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

KEVIN R. SWEAZEA
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE